



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Lothar Kugler Confirmation No.: 5746
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111(C)

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated September 25, 2003 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire December 25, 2003, having been extended for two months so as to expire on February 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 6 of this paper.